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SUBJECT: W/W JOHN J. SULLIVAN

1. LETTER DATED 3/10/82 WAS RECEIVED 3/16/82 BY EMBASSY ADDRESSED TO SULLIVAN FAMILY, CARE OF AMBASSADOR HINTON.

2. ROUGH TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

EXCISE

BEGIN TEXT: HONORABLE SULLIVAN FAMILY: I AM SIMPLY AN EMPLOYEE SUBMISSIVE TO OTHER AND WITH DANGER OF DEATH BY SUPERIORS. THE ANGUISH OF A MOTHER WHEN A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IS MISSING IS TERRIBLE. I BELIEVE ONLY GOD CAN ALLEVIATE OUR TOUBLES. THERE IS STILL HOPE TO FIND YOUR SON ALIVE. OUR COMPANIONS KILL AND TORTURE EVERYDAY, THERE ARE UNDERGROUND CELLS IN THE HACIENDA POLICE AND THE GUARD AND ONLY THE CIA OR MR. HINTON CAN DIG THEM UP. THERE IS A SWISS, A MEXICAN MVAND TWO NORTH AMERICANS IN THE TUNNEL AND ONE OF THEM HAS LOST HIS SIGHT. GO TO THE NORTH AMERICAN AUTHORITIES AND VISIT THESE CELLS THAT ARE BELOW THE GROUND. WHEN ONE CAN TALK IN OUR COUNTRY, I WILL GIVE YOU ALL THE DETAILS OF YOUR SON. AFTER YOU FIND HIM, PUBLISH THE TORTURE OF THE JOURNALISTS BY THE SALVADORAN MILITARY. SIGNED, YOUR FRIEND -- I WILL CONTINUE TO COLLABORATE. END TEXT.

3. LETTER WAS UNSIGNED BUT RETURN ADDRESS ON ENVELOPE WAS FROM [redacted]

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